

Amendments to the Claims:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of the claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

- ✓ 1. (Currently Amended) A method of generating a computer generated animation to provide a visual accompaniment to music, comprising:
 displaying an animation scene including a plurality of 3D objects;
 displaying an object selection screen for allowing a user to select one object currently displayed in said animation scene as a selected object;
 providing a video signal from a source external to the computer;
 using a video camera to generate the video signal in real time;
 displaying a video selection icon;
 displaying a face template having facial feature indications and oriented and scaled to match a target object included in the animation, with the feature indications corresponding to similarly oriented regions on the target object;
 orienting a video signal image so that an image of a face is aligned with the face template and features of the face are overlaid by feature indications of the template; and
 mapping features of the face aligned to feature indications of the template to corresponding regions of the target object;
 deforming part of a surface of the target object onto which the features of the face are mapped;
 if the user clicks the video selection icon
 texture mapping the video signal onto the selected object in the animation scene so that a texture-mapped video signal is displayed on the surface of the selected object; and
 altering an appearance of the texture-mapped video signal displayed on the surface of the selected object based on music events and when the luminescence parameter of the video signal passes a threshold.

2. (Cancelled)
3. (Cancelled)
4. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 1 or 3—comprising:
detecting selected events occurring during the playing of the video signal; and
altering the appearance of the texture-mapped video when a selected event is
detected.
5. (Cancelled)
6. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 4 comprising:
detecting a selected event in the video signal being texture-mapped.
7. (Cancelled)
8. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 4 where said act of altering
the texture-mapped video comprises:
altering an image parameter of the texture-mapped video.
9. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 4 where said altering the
texture-mapped video comprises:
altering a display palette for the texture-mapped video to cause the texture-
mapped video to appear blocky.
10. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 4 where said act of altering
comprises:
altering the luminosity of selected areas of the texture-mapped video.

11. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 4 where said altering further comprises:

elevating a first region of the texture-mapped video when a selected event is detected; and

depressing a second region of the texture-mapped video when a selected event is detected.